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Customer No.  
**23911**

**Mail Stop Patent Application**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.  
Our Ref: 037068.53199US

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a Continuation Application of pending PCT Application No. PCT/EP02/10854 filed on September 27, 2002 of:

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entitled: **SPRING LOADED CYLINDER**

Enclosed are:


1. Specification, including 24 claims (1-29 pages).
2. Three (3) Sheets of Formal drawings showing Figs. 1-3.
3. Application Data Sheet.
4. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
5. Assignment of the invention to KNORR-BREMSE SYSTEME FUER NUTZFAHRZEUGE GMBH.
6. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Documents 101 48 479.8, filed in Germany on October 1, 2001 and 102 36 923.2, filed in Germany on August 12, 2002.
7. Benefit is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120 of pending PCT Application No. PCT/EP02/10854 filed on September 27, 2002.
8. X Information Disclosure Statement w/12 references.
9. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee					\$385/770 =	\$770.00
Total Claims	<u>24</u>	-	20	=	<u>4</u> x \$ 9/18 =	\$ 72.00
Independent Claims	<u>2</u>	-	3	=	<u>0</u> x \$ 43/86 =	\$
Multiple Dependent Claim Presented					\$145/290 =	\$
Total Filing Fee						<u>\$842.00</u>

A check in the amount of \$882.00 (\$770.00 for the filing fee, \$72.00 for the additional claims fee, and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee) is enclosed. The Commissioner

is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #037068.53199US). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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